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ANNCR:

"THIS WEEK!"

FROM THE VOICE OF AMERICA, THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK
GONE BY...A LOOK AT SOME OF THE EVENTS, A CROSS-SECTION OF
THE IDEAS AND THE VOICES OF SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO MADE NEWS
DURING THE PAST SEVEN DAYS. YOUR NARRATOR IS _____.

NARR:

IT WAS A WEEK FOR CHANGING IMAGES -- IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS
AND UNITED STATES PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS -- IN THE STREETS OF
PEKING AND RACIALLY TROUBLED SOUTHERN AFRICA.

IN WASHINGTON, PRESIDENT FORD ANNOUNCED THAT HE WOULD NO
LONGER USE THE TERM "DETENTE", WHEN REFERRING TO U-S RELATIONS
WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND CHINA. A LABEL APPLIED BY THE NIXON
WHITE HOUSE IN PURSUIT OF IMPROVED EAST-WEST TIES, DETENTE --
SAID MISTER FORD -- HAS BECOME A WORD WITHOUT MEANING, A WORD
THAT IS BEING MISUNDERSTOOD.

TAPE: CUT ONE -- FORD :34

"DETENTE IS ONLY A WORD THAT WAS COINED - I DON'T THINK IT
IS APPLICABLE ANY MORE. I THINK WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT THE
REALITIES -- THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LOWERING OF THE
STRATEGIC NUCLEAR BALLISTIC CAPABILITIES. WE OUGHT TO TALK
ABOUT TRADE, WE OUGHT TO TALK ABOUT SCIENCE AND THOSE THINGS,
IN AN ATMOSPHERE WHERE WE'RE DEALING FROM STRENGTH AND WE
RECOGNIZE THAT OTHERS MAY HAVE SOME. BUT WE HAVE TO HAVE
THAT STRENGTH TO MOVE AHEAD."

NARR:

THE WHITE HOUSE EMPHASIZED THAT IF THE WORD "DETENTE"
WAS BEING DROPPED FROM THE U-S DIPLOMATIC VOCABULARY, THE
POLICY WAS NOT BEING REMOVED FROM DIPLOMATIC PORTFOLIOS. A
SPOKESMAN DENIED THAT THE SEMANTIC CHANGE WAS PROMPTED BY

ATTACKS ON THE POLICY FROM REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CHALLENGER RONALD REAGAN -- WHO HAS CHARGED THAT DETENTE IS LITTLE MORE THAN A ONE-WAY STREET, WITH THE SOVIET UNION REAPING MOST OF THE REWARDS.

LATER IN THE WEEK, SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER -- QUESTIONED BY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS -- REAFFIRMED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD CONTINUE ITS CURRENT POLICIES TOWARD THE SOVIET UNION, CHINA AND OTHER COUNTRIES -- AND THAT THOSE POLICIES WOULD RUN ON TWO TRACKS.

TAPE: CUT TWO -- KISSINGER :43

"ON THE ONE HAND, RESISTANCE TO EXPANSION; ON THE OTHER HAND, AN ATTEMPT TO BUILD A BETTER AND SAFER WORLD. WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO SEE US DO BOTH: TO RESIST AGGRESSIVE ACTION, AS WELL AS NOT BE CONTENT WITH A POLICY OF CONSTANT CONFRONTATION. THIS HAS BEEN OUR POLICY: NO ALTERNATIVE HAS EVER BEEN OFFERED TO THIS POLICY. A LOT OF RHETORIC HAS BEEN ADVANCED, BUT THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE MEANT BY DETENTE, AND THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE CARRIED OUT ALL OVER THE WORLD."
NARR:

REVIEWING EVENTS ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD, SECRETARY KISSINGER TOLD CONGRESS THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD CONSIDER RECOGNITION OF THE POPULAR MOVEMENT IN ANGOLA -- ONCE WASHINGTON IS CERTAIN THAT THAT GOVERNMENT IS FREE OF FOREIGN INFLUENCE. DOCTOR KISSINGER REPEATED AN EARLIER CRITICISM OF CUBA'S DECISION TO SEND TWELVE THOUSAND TROOPS IN SUPPORT OF THE SOVIET-BACKED POPULAR MOVEMENT FORCES IN ANGOLA. AND, HE WARNED CUBA AGAINST INTERFERING IN THE DISPUTE BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND RHODESIA -- WHICH THIS WEEK THREATENED TO INVOLVE THE ENTIRE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGION IN A ROUND OF FULL-SCALE WAR.

THE MOZAMBIQUE GOVERNMENT DECLARED WEDNESDAY THAT IT HAD CLOSED ITS BORDERS WITH RHODESIA, AND -- CITING RECENT BORDER CLASHES AND A RHODESIAN RAID ON AN AFRICAN NATIONALIST

GUERRILLA CAMP DEEP INSIDE MOZAMBIQUE -- PUT THE NATION ON A WAR FOOTING. RHODESIAN PRIME MINISTER IAN SMITH REPLIED THAT A STATE OF WAR WOULD NOT EXIST AS LONG AS MOZAMBIQUE SHOWED NO AGGRESSIVE INTENT -- AND HIS DEFENSE MINISTER SAID MOZAMBIQUE PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL WAS SIMPLY RATTLING HIS SABRE.

BUT SOUTH AFRICAN PRIME MINISTER JOHN VORSTER WARNED THAT THE DISPUTE -- WHICH NOW CUTS OFF LAND-LOCKED RHODESIA FROM THE SEA -- COULD BRING A NEW WAVE OF FRICTION TO THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGION. THE DISPUTE CAST A CLOUD OVER THE CONSTITUTIONAL TALKS BETWEEN MINISTER SMITH AND AFRICAN NATIONALIST LEADER JOSHUA NIKOMO -- WHO ARE NEGOTIATING TERMS FOR BLACK MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA. AND, UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL KURT WALDHEIM JOINED SEVERAL AFRICAN NATIONS IN CALLING FOR SUPPORT FOR MOZAMBIQUE -- URGING U-N MEMBERS TO COMPENSATE PRESIDENT MACHEL'S GOVERNMENT FOR LOSSES INCURRED BY ITS IMPOSITION OF ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA. THE LONG-STANDING U-N SANCTIONS AGAINST THE FORMER BRITISH COLONY WERE ALSO REINFORCED IN LONDON, WHERE LEADERS OF THE THIRTY-FIVE NATION COMMONWEALTH SAID THEY WOULD MAKE SUCH COMPENSATIONS -- AND CALLED ON OTHER NATIONS TO DO THE SAME.

(OPT) REPORTS FROM SALISBURY INDICATED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS THERE WERE VISIBLE CRACKS IN THE SUPPORT FOR PRIME MINISTER SMITH, WHOSE FIGHTING STYLE HAD WON HIGH FAVOR AMONG RHODESIA'S WHITE MINORITY DURING THE ILLEGAL BREAK WITH BRITAIN TEN YEARS BEFORE, AND WHICH HAD KEPT HIM FIRMLY IN POWER EVER SINCE. MANY WHITE RHODESIANS HAVE FELT THAT DESPITE THE RIFT WITH LONDON, THE BRITISH WOULD COME TO

THE RESCUE IF THEY WERE EVER THREATENED BY A RACE WAR. BUT THIS WEEK, FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH STATE SECRETARY DAVID ENNALS SAID NO.

TAPE: CUT THREE -- ENNALS -- :42

"WE VERY MUCH WANT TO SEE A MULTI-RACIAL SOCIETY WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE OF ALL RACES. BUT FOR US, ALL LIFE IS PRECIOUS. WE CERTAINLY DO WANT TO PRESERVE WESTERN VALUES. BUT THOSE VALUES ARE REJECTED AND SCORNE BY THOSE WHO CLAIM ALLEGIANCE TO THE FREE WORLD, BUT IN FACT PRACTICE APARTHEID AND RACIAL DOMINATION. IF WE CAN USE OUR INFLUENCE TO HELP THE WHOLE OF THE POPULATION OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA AND SOUTHERN AFRICA WE WILL DO SO. BUT WE WILL NOT COME IN TO RESCUE THE MINORITY JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE WHITE."

NARR:

BRITAIN'S FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH STATE SECRETARY, DAVID ENNALS. (END OPT) ACROSS THE ATLANTIC, RACIAL TENSIONS PLAYED LESS OF A ROLE THAN HAD BEEN EXPECTED THIS WEEK -- IN AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS. TWO PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARIES WERE HELD, IN VERMONT AND MASSACHUSETTS, BUT ALL EYES WERE ON MASSACHUSETTS.

IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, THE TRANSFERRING OF SCHOOL CHILDREN FROM ONE NEIGHBORHOOD TO ANOTHER TO INSURE RACIAL INTEGRATION HAD BECOME A STORMY ISSUE LONG BEFORE THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFULS HAD BEGUN CAMPAIGNING FOR VOTER SUPPORT. ON THE CROWDED DEMOCRATIC BALLOT, MANY EXPECTED ALABAMA GOVERNOR GEORGE WALLACE -- A LONG-TIME FOE OF BUSSING -- TO COME OUT IN FRONT.

BUT THE PUNDITS AND POLLSTERS WERE PROVEN WRONG, WHEN GOVERNOR WALLACE CAME IN THIRD, BEHIND SURPRISINGLY STRONG SECOND-PLACE FINISHER MORRIS UDALL -- A LIBERAL -- AND SENATOR HENRY JACKSON, THE WINNER BY A WIDE MARGIN. SENATOR JACKSON, WHO HAS BEEN CALLED LIBERAL ON DOMESTIC ISSUES BUT CONSERVATIVE ON DEFENSE MATTERS, AND WHO IS A SHARP

CRITIC OF DETENTE AND THE SOVIET UNION, APPEARED TO WIN SUPPORT FROM A BROAD CROSS-SECTION OF THE RELIGIOUS, ETHNIC AND RACIAL COMMUNITIES OF MASSACHUSETTS VOTERS. (OPT) HE GAVE AN APPRAISAL OF HIS VICTORY AT AN ELECTION-NIGHT CELEBRATION.

TAPE: CUT FOUR -- JACKSON! -- :30

(APPLAUSE) "THE ESSENCE OF OUR VICTORY IS THE FACT THAT WE PUT TOGETHER ONCE AGAIN THE GRAND COALITION THAT ELECTED FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT, HARRY TRUMAN, JOHN F. KENNEDY AND LYNDON JOHNSON." (APPLAUSE -- FADE UNDER NARR)

NARR:

IF THE APPLAUSE WAS LOUD IN THE JACKSON CAMP, IT WAS MUTED IN OTHERS. SARGENT SHRIVER -- A MEMBER OF THE KENNEDY FAMILY -- HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO DO WELL IN THE KENNEDY'S HOME STATE, BUT WON ONLY SEVEN PERCENT OF THE VOTE. FORMER SENATOR FRED HARRIS, SENATOR BIRCH BAYH, AND THE WINNER OF THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, JIMMY CARTER, ALSO DID POORLY. BY THE WEEKEND, BAYH HAD SUSPENDED HIS PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN, AND SHRIVER AND HARRIS WERE CONSIDERING SIMILAR ACTION. THESE MOVES ILLUSTRATED THAT ONE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COMPLEX STATE PRIMARY SYSTEM IS TO DISTINGUISH STRONG FROM WEAKER CANDIDATES.

IN NEIGHBORING VERMONT, WHERE FEW CANDIDATES HAD ENTERED THE PRIMARY RACE, FORMER GEORGIA GOVERNOR CARTER WON NEARLY HALF THE DEMOCRATIC BALLOTS, EASILY DEFEATING SARGENT SHRIVER, FRED HARRIS -- AND ELLEN MCCORMACK, A NEW YORK WOMAN WHOSE CAMPAIGN HAS BEEN BASED ALMOST ENTIRELY UPON HER OPPOSITION TO ABORTION. (END OPT)

IN BOTH MASSACHUSETTS AND VERMONT, PRESIDENT FORD WON RESOUNDING VICTORIES OVER HIS LONE CHALLENGER, FORMER CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN. ANALYSTS WERE QUICK TO POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT NEITHER MAN

HAD CAMPAIGNED ACTIVELY IN EITHER STATE -- AND THAT MISTER REAGAN WAS NOT EVEN ON THE BALLOT IN VERMONT.

WITH SENATOR JACKSON AND PRESIDENT FORD THE WINNERS IN THE WEEK'S PRESIDENTIAL SWEEPSTAKES, POLLSTERS SHIFTED THEIR FOCUS FROM NEW ENGLAND TO THE SOUTH -- AND TO FLORIDA, WHERE BOTH DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS AGREE THEIR CANDIDATES WILL FACE THEIR FIRST TEST OF STRENGTH IN A MAJOR STATE.

TOWARD WEEK'S END, REPUBLICAN CHALLENGER REAGAN MADE HIS FIRST DIRECT ATTACK AGAINST THE POLICIES OF THE FORD ADMINISTRATION -- CHARGING THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN WEAKENED BOTH DIPLOMATICALLY AND MILITARILY, AND THAT MOSCOW WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DETENTE UNTIL THERE IS A NEW PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY OF STATE. THE WHITE HOUSE RESPONDED BY CALLING MISTER REAGAN'S STATEMENTS POLITICAL, AND SAID PRESIDENT FORD'S RECORD ON DEFENSE IS SECOND TO NONE.

(OPT) BOTH PRESIDENT FORD -- AND SENATOR JACKSON ON THE DEMOCRATIC SIDE -- WERE BEHIND IN FLORIDA OPINION POLLS DURING THE WEEK -- BUT POLITICAL OBSERVERS WERE NOT WILLING TO MAKE CONCLUSIVE PREDICTIONS, EITHER AS TO THE CANDIDATES' CHANCES FOR SUCCESS, OR THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE. WITH THREE PRIMARIES DOWN AND TWENTY-SEVEN MORE TO GO, FEW WERE WILLING TO SAY THAT FLORIDA WOULD BE CONCLUSIVE -- AND ALL MAJOR CANDIDATES REMAINED CONFIDENT OF THEIR CHANCES TO WIN THE RACE FOR THEIR PARTY'S NOMINATION, AND FOR THE PRESIDENCY IN NOVEMBER. (END OPT)

PRESIDENT FORD SPOKE OUT FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS WEEK ON THE IMPACT ON HIS CAMPAIGN IN NEW HAMPSHIRE LAST MONTH OF FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON'S TRIP TO CHINA. THE NIXON VISIT TO PEKING HAD COINCIDED WITH THE NEW HAMPSHIRE

BALLOTING -- AND FORD CAMPAIGN LEADERS HAD SPECULATED THAT IT MIGHT RESURRECT THE CONTROVERSY OVER MISTER NIXON'S PARDON, AND HURT MISTER FORD'S CHANCES. THE PRESIDENT WON THE REPUBLICAN ELECTION, THEN HAD THIS COMMENT.

TAPE: CUT FIVE -- FORD -- :28

"TIMING, RIGHT AT THE TIME OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY, PROBABLY HAD AN UNSETTLING IMPACT. PEOPLE WEREN'T QUITE SURE WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THE TRIP, AND SO I THINK THE TIMING WAS VERY BAD FROM OUR POINT OF VIEW. WHETHER THE SUBSTANCE OF THAT TRIP WILL HAVE ANY ADVERSE IMPACT IN THE FUTURE IS A LITTLE PREMATURE TO POINT OUT."

HARR:

FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON RETURNED HOME TO CALIFORNIA AT THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK -- AND WITHIN A FEW DAYS WAS CONTACTED BY SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER, WHO ARRANGED FOR MISTER NIXON TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT ON THE CHINA TRIP. (OPT) PRESIDENT FORD -- ACCORDING TO A SPOKESMAN -- HAD NOT ASKED FOR A REPORT, HAD NOT BEEN AWARE OF DOCTOR KISSINGER'S CALL, AND WAS NOT PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE WHOLE AFFAIR. (END OPT) THE WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN REAFFIRMED EARLIER STATEMENTS -- THAT MISTER NIXON HAD GONE TO CHINA ON HIS OWN, AND NOT IN ANY OFFICIAL CAPACITY.

BUT REGARDLESS OF MISTER NIXON'S CAPACITY, THE WHITE HOUSE WAS CERTAINLY AWARE OF HIS RECEPTION IN PEKING -- AND THE WARMTH OF THE GREETING EXTENDED TO HIM, BOTH BY TOP CHINESE OFFICIALS AND BY CROWDS IN THE STREETS. AND IN THE WAKE OF THE VISIT, ANALYSTS CONSIDERED IT NOTEWORTHY THAT -- IN ADDITION TO THE EXPECTED SIGHTSEEING TOURS -- MISTER NIXON HAD BEEN PURPOSELY SHOWN A DISPLAY OF THE INCREASINGLY BITTER DENUNCIATIONS OF CAPITALIST ROADERS -- THE PEKING TERM FOR ONE-TIME LEADERS NOW IN DISGRACE.

THE WALL-POSTER CAMPAIGN, WHICH HAD BEGUN AT CHINESE UNIVERSITIES, SPREAD TO THE STREETS OF PEKING THIS WEEK, AND FINALLY ENDED WEEKS OF INDIRECT ATTACKS BY SPECIFICALLY NAMING CHINESE SENIOR VICE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING AS THE MAIN TARGET. MISTER TENG'S PRIMARY FAULT, ACCORDING TO THE WALL POSTERS, IS HIS LACK OF SUPPORT FOR THE POLICIES OF CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG -- AND HIS LACK OF ENTHUSIASM FOR THE USE OF IDEOLOGICAL METHODS IN PURSUIT OF CHINA'S GOALS. BY WEEK'S END, THE ATTACK ON MISTER TENG HAD BEEN PICKED UP BY PEKING RADIO -- WHICH CALLED THE SEVENTY-ONE YEAR OLD OFFICIAL "UNREPENTENT" -- AND SAID HE MIGHT BE FORCED TO RESIGN.

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THE SHAPE OF SOVIET LEADERSHIP FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE WAS MADE VISIBLE IN MOSCOW THIS WEEK -- WITH SOVIET PARTY LEADER LEONID BREZHNEV WINDING UP THE TEN-DAY PARTY CONGRESS BY ANNOUNCING THE NEW LINE-UP OF THE POLITBURO. MISTER BREZHNEV ANNOUNCED HIS OWN RE-ELECTION -- AND THE RE-ELECTION OF ALL OTHER POLITBURO MEMBERS EXCEPT DMITRI POLYANSKY, THE FORMER MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE. THE FAILING CAREER OF MISTER POLYANSKY, ONE OF THE YOUNGEST MEMBERS OF THE OLD POLITBURO, MATCHED THE RECENT FAILURE OF SOVIET CROPS -- WHICH HAD FORCED MOSCOW TO MAKE LARGE-SCALE FOOD PURCHASES ON WORLD MARKETS.

DESPITE SOVIET CROP FAILURES AND OTHER SETBACKS, PREMIER ALEXEI KOSYGIN TOLD THE FIVE THOUSAND DELEGATES TO THE PARTY CONGRESS THIS WEEK THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD EXPERIENCED STEADY ECONOMIC GROWTH DURING THE PAST FIVE

YEARS -- AND THAT THIS TREND WOULD CONTINUE. NOTING DEMANDS BY SOVIET CITIZENS FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION OF CONSUMER GOODS, MISTER KOSYGIN INDICATED THAT EFFORTS WOULD BE MADE TO BOOST THE OUTPUT OF HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES, FOOD PRODUCTS, CLOTHING AND EVERYDAY ITEMS. BUT THE SOVIET PREMIER EMPHASIZED THAT HEAVY INDUSTRY WOULD CONTINUE TO RECEIVE FIRST PRIORITY -- REFLECTING THE VIEW OF LONG-TERM PLANNERS IN THE KREMLIN, WHO BELIEVE THE SOVIET ECONOMY MUST RELY ON THE PRODUCTION OF STEEL, HOUSING, MACHINERY AND PETROLEUM PRODUCTS.

THE PARTY CONGRESS ADJOURNED AT WEEK'S END WITHOUT APPROVING A NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN -- BUT INDICATED THAT THE SOVIET HIERARCHY WOULD ISSUE SUCH A BLUEPRINT WITHIN A MATTER OF MONTHS.

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AN IMPROVED PICTURE OF THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY CAME INTO VIEW THIS WEEK, AS GOVERNMENT FIGURES SHOWED A CONTINUING DECLINE IN WHOLESALE PRICES -- DUE MAINLY TO DECREASING COSTS FOR FOOD AND FUEL. THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCED ITS PLEASURE OVER THE CONTINUING TREND, AND SAID THERE WAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE REVERSED.

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IN CONGRESS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES GAVE ITS APPROVAL TO A BILL -- SIMILAR TO ONE PASSED BY THE SENATE -- WHICH GIVES CONGRESS BROADER POWERS TO REGULATE AMERICAN ARMS SALES ABROAD. THE MEASURE ALSO APPROPRIATES MORE THAN FIVE THOUSAND MILLION DOLLARS FOR OVERSEAS ECONOMIC AND MILITARY AID -- NEARLY ONE THOUSAND MILLION DOLLARS LESS THAN REQUESTED BY THE FORD ADMINISTRATION. MOST OF THE AID MONEY

IS EARMARKED FOR MILITARY GOODS -- AND MOST OF THAT AMOUNT IS DESIGNATED FOR THE MIDDLE EAST. ISRAEL AND EGYPT WILL BE THE PRIME BENEFACTORS OF THE MILITARY AID MEASURE, WITH LESSER AMOUNTS GOING TO JORDAN AND SYRIA.

(OPT) THE BILL ALSO RELAXES RESTRICTIONS ON MILITARY AID TO TURKEY, AND TEMPORARILY REMOVES THE BAN ON UNITED STATES TRADE WITH NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM. (END OPT)

A HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE THIS WEEK GAVE ITS APPROVAL TO THE SALE TO SAUDI ARABIA OF MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF MILITARY HARDWARE. THE MOVE PROMPTED CRITICISM FROM SOME MEMBERS OF CONGRESS -- AND FROM ISRAELI PREMIER YITZHAK RABIN, WHO ACCUSED THE UNITED STATES OF ACCELERATING THE ARMS RACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER DEFENDED THE SALE -- AND SIMILAR SALES TO EGYPT -- INDICATING THAT THE TRANSACTIONS WOULD NOT UPSET THE BALANCE OF POWER IN THE REGION, AND WOULD FURTHER CEMENT ARAB-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

U-S TREASURY SECRETARY WILLIAM SIMON THIS WEEK TOURED SEVERAL COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST, MEETING WITH ARAB AND ISRAELI LEADERS IN AN EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE FURTHER COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED STATES IN THE AREAS OF TRADE, ECONOMICS AND FINANCE. HISTER SIMON SAID SUCH COPERATION WOULD ENHANCE THE POSSIBILITIES FOR A LASTING PEACE IN THE REGION.

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FINALLY THIS WEEK, A GLIMPSE INTO THE STARK AND BRUTAL REALITY OF THE GULAG -- THE SOVIET PRISON SYSTEM AS DOCUMENTED BY EXILED AUTHOR ALEXANDER SOLZHITSYN IN THE FINAL CHAPTER OF HIS TRILOGY, THE GULAG ARCHIPELAGO. FOLLOWING PUBLICATION

OF HIS BOOK IN PARIS, MISTER SOLZHENITSYN WAS INTERVIEWED BY THE B-B-C IN LONDON -- AND WARNED THE WEST THAT IT WOULD COLLAPSE UNLESS IT STIFFENED ITS STAND AGAINST WHAT HE CALLED SOVIET TYRANNY. THE SPEED OF WESTERN CAPITULATIONS, HE SAID, HAS RAPIDLY OVERTAKEN THE PACE OF MORAL REGENERATION IN THE SOVIET UNION. I AM A CRITIC OF A FACT WHICH I CANNOT COMPREHEND, MISTER SOLZHENITSYN ADDED, WHICH IS HOW ONE CAN LOSE ONE'S SPIRITUAL STRENGTH.

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ANNCR:

(OPT) AND THOSE ARE SOME OF THE TOP STORIES THAT MADE HEADLINES THIS WEEK. YOUR NARRATOR WAS _____. JOIN US AGAIN NEXT _____, WHEN THE VOICE OF AMERICA TAKES A LOOK AT THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS, ON "THIS WEEK." (END OPT)

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